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TAGS: CDES NO: BUS ACCIDENT IN LAERDAL, NORWAY, MAY 24, 1978

1. THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION PROVIDES AN UPDATE REPORT OF THE PHYSICAL CONDITION OF PERSONS INJURED IN THE ACCIDENT AND CURRENT STATUS OF THE REMAINS OF THE DECEASED.
2. THE FOLLOWING PERSONS ARE HOSPITALIZED AT HAUKELAND HOSPITAL, BERGEN: MRS. JOSEPH DISPENSA: AS OF 1500 TODAY MRS. DISPENSA CONTINUES IN STATE OF UNCONSCIOUSNESS. DR. ASSUMES SHE IS SUFFERING FROM BRAIN CONCUSSION. SHE BREATHES NORMALLY, HAS A FRACTURED LEFT ARM. SHE MOVES NORMALLY. POSSIBILITY FOR IMPROVEMENT UNCERTAIN AT THIS TIME. HER HUSBAND, WHO IS PRESENTLY IN LAERDAL HOSPITAL IS IN GOOD CONDITION, EXPECTS TO BE RELEASED TOMORROW AND WILL GO TO WIFE IN BERGEN. THEIR SON, JOSEPH, IS EN ROUTE TO BERGEN FROM THE U.S. MR. LOREN A. WITMER IS AWAKE BUT DROWSY. HE HAS MANY INJURIES IN THE FACE AND JAW. HOSPITAL PLANS TO OPERATE ON MONDAY TO REPAIR FRACTURES. SON, JIM WITMER EN ROUTE TO BERGEN FROM THE U.S.
3. THE FOLLOWING PERSONS ARE BEING HOSPITALIZED AT LAERDAL HOSPITAL: RITA LEKANDER SUFFERING HEAD AND FACE INJURIES. HER DAUGHTER, KAREN, IS EN ROUTE FROM U.S. MR. ROBERT AUFDERHEIDE IS IN GOOD CONDITION. NO INFORMATION CONCERNING ARRIVAL OF RELATIVES FROM U.S. ROBERTA PARKS IS STILL IN STATE OF SHOCK, EMOTIONALLY UPSET.

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SON, DAVID AND DAUGHTER, HEIDI FRIEDMAN WILL ARRIVE AT HOSPITAL APPROX. 1700 TODAY.  
MR. JOSEPH DISPENSA: CONDITION GOOD, WILL BE RELEASED FROM HOSPITAL TOMORROW.

4. THE REMAINS OF ALL DECEASED PERSONS ARE AT RIKSHOSPITALET. EMBASSY HAS RECEIVED DISPOSITION INSTRUCTIONS FOR ALL DECEASED

EXCEPT LOUISE YOUTES AND ALBERT PARKS. INSTRUCTIONS WILL BE  
RECEIVED FROM DAVID PARKS WHO IS CURRENTLY IN LAERDAL  
VISITING INJURED MOTHER, AND POST AWAITING RREPLY DISPOSITION  
CABLE FROM FUNERAL HOME RE DISPOSITION REMAINS LOUISE YOUTES.  
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